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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1281

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BILL AMENDED: Mar 3, 2003

SUBJECT: Toll Road Advisory Committee.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Ayres

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Landske

BILL STATUS: As Passed - House

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
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IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill establishes the Toll Road Advisory Committee to receive information from and make recommendations to the Transportation Finance Authority concerning the operation and management of the Toll Road. It requires one member from a regional planning group from each region through which the Indiana Toll Road passes.

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill establishes the Toll Road Advisory Committee, a 17-member study committee consisting of 14 legislators, 2 lay members (one appointed by the Governor and one member of the Transportation Finance Authority), and one state employee (Commissioner of the Department of Transportation or the Commissioner's designee). The Committee is to operate under the policies governing study committees adopted by the Legislative Council. Legislative Council resolutions in the past have established budgets for interim study committees ranging from \$12,000 to \$18,500 per interim for committees with 16 members or more. The members from the regional planning groups from each region through which the Toll Road passes shall not have voting privileges on the Committee, and each shall serve without compensation.

The Committee shall do the following:

- (1) Review issues related to the operation and maintenance of the Toll Road.
- (2) Review the financing and design of capital projects associated with the Toll Road.
- (3) Review issues concerning the quality of service, including toll booth placement, provided by the Toll Road.
- (4) Review issues concerning facility changes and relocations.

Background Information: The Transportation Finance Authority shall present to the Committee each of its short- and long-range proposals, and any changes to the proposals before the Authority proceeds to execute any part of the proposals.

If the Committee recommends that the Authority alter or amend any short- or long-range plan, and the Authority determines that it will not accept the recommendation of the Advisory Committee, the Authority shall submit in writing to the Committee, prior to putting the plan into effect, a detailed statement setting forth its reasons for rejecting the Committee's recommendation. The Authority may not proceed with the execution of any short- or long-range plan unless it has complied with this proposal.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Legislative Services Agency; Department of Transportation; Transportation Finance Authority; Toll Road.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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